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What's Revised?

Policies

- <u>CP&P-III-C-2-500</u>, **Child Safety Seats:** policy has been updated to include language on how to transport child(ren) with special needs, and new language has been added regarding heights, weights, and specifications for safety seat usage.
- <u>CP&P-III-C-3-100</u>, **Minimum Visitation Requirements (MVR)**: policy has been revised, for the worker/parent contact with the goal of reunification, to require that one visit shall be in the parent's home instead of preferably be in the parent's home.
- CPP-IV-A-11-200, Placement of Children with Kinship Caregivers Who
 Are Undocumented Immigrants: this revised policy emphasizes that
 placement should be in the best interest of the child, requires Area Director
 approval for presumptive eligibility and placement, and includes a waiver for
 the licensing process. Additionally, it removes the presumption against
 placement and the approval of the Directors of CP&P and Licensing prior to
 placement.

Forms

- Form 5-21, Notice of Regional Placement Conference (For Cases in Litigation): the following line was removed, "You are not required to have an attorney present with you, but you may do so if you choose."
- Form 5-21, Notice of Regional Placement Conference (Letter to Interested Parties): the first paragraph was updated to read, "In order to participate in reimbursement by the Federal government for certain services, state child welfare agencies must review the status of every child placed outside of their home through that agency, no less than every six months.

Note: Spanish versions of the above forms will be created shortly.

What's Obsolete?\

Forms

CP&P Form 10-8, Consent to Independent Living By Parent(s), Legal
Guardian or Legal Custodian: form has been deleted from the Manual and
should no longer be utilized.

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